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Subject: Niagara Environmental

Dear George:

In a meeting in my office, July 1, 1986 we discussed the issues that you were handling that are contained in the Environmental Agreement between Stratcor and Umetco.

I explained that it is my responsibility, acting for Umetco, to see that these jobs are completed quickly, economically, and in a manner acceptable to both parties. Specific items discussed were:

1. Completion of Halide Scrubber

The venturi scrubber has been installed and first tests indicate it is working satisfactory. However when cleaning out heels, fumes are still escaping - the trough will have to be enclosed and perhaps hooded. You agreed to get together with Ron Sullivan and Peter Sherman to propose corrective action. You will furnish me with a timetable to complete the job and a cost estimate.

2. Disposal of "Super Sucker Dust

You had samples from six piles of "Super Sucker" dust analyzed. With the exception of two samples that analyzed 6.69 and 15.0 mg/L barium (maximum allowable is 100.0 mg/L) the other fourty-six (46) analyses were below detectable limits for the eight (8) EP toxic metals. Don Millenbruch, in his letter of May 12, 1986 to you suggested that since this material is non-hazardous it should be removed to a suitable landfill. While you were on vacation SCA quoted on removal for a cost of \$179/ton provided we supply the front end loading equipment. This would amount to several thousands of dollars. They are treating the material as if it were hazardous and I feel this will set a precedent. If we can not transport this to a local dump without all the red tape and further analyses you suggest I would be in favor of using the material to fill in and level "Lake Linde". You will get back to me after conferring with Rich Miller.

3. <u>Disposal of Sample Cans</u>

You informed me that more than one half of the cans have been disposed of through B.F.T. You are proceeding to identify the contents of the remaining cans and will provide me with an estimate of the additional time you require. If this looks like it is going to take too long due to priorities in other areas I will arrange to have the job completed. I would appreciate you supplying me with the quantity of samples disposed of to date together with costs.

In addition to the above items which were addressed in the Environmental Agreement two others were brought to your attention:

4. Radioactive Sources

Last week I was informed that the plant had a radioactive source that was used in the past to calibrate the X-ray equipment in the Vanadium Aluminum Department. This source is not licensed and should be disposed of. You will provide me with the history of this source, if possible, and I will begin the paperwork to have it disposed of.

5. Radioactive License No. 955-0139

This license, for a cesium source that you returned last August, is still in the name of Umetco. If you will turn over the files to me I will continue to press for termination along with the other two licenses that I am currently involved with.

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